



Dryandra Primary School



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Dear parents and carers

I think that you would agree that the trip to Williams Primary School was the highlight of the year. After many weeks of planning, the excursion to Williams Primary School was a tremendous success. The students were absolutely enthralled and excited to participate in the range of activities that were organised. It was like a mini-Royal show! There were farm animals, sheep and cattle dogs, farm machinery, emergency service vehicles (with very loud sirens) and even a sheep shearing demonstration.

Williams Primary School then lavished our school with a delicious lunch and even a 'show bag'.

I would like to thank all of the parent helpers who came along to assist. This was sincerely appreciated. Thank you to;

Ms Sharon Gillett, Ms Joy Yacub, Mr Nik Ivanovski, Mrs Phoebe Hall, Mr Son Nguyen and Mrs Norma Abbott.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank all of the staff for their professional approach and enthusiasm in supporting our school on this excursion. Our staff went above and beyond the call of duty to ensure that our students had this wonderful experience.

Thank you!

Once again, our students demonstrated a high standard of behaviour and were perfect ambassadors for our school.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff and community of Williams Primary School for hosting such a magnificent day. Not only were they generous with their time, but the whole community was involved. This did help to establish the partnership of our two school working together closely in a variety of different ways. Thank you to the principal, Ms Gordon, her staff and the community for their extraordinary efforts and hard work. Thank you

STAFF CHANGES AND FAREWELLS

As you might be aware, we have a number of staff who will be going on parental leave before the end of the year. It is important that we acknowledge and give them our best wishes.

Ms Libby Taylor our school psychologist, commenced her parental leave at the end of October. Ms Taylor has been our school psychologist for the last 5 years. Her contribution to our school has been invaluable.

Mrs Claire Warr in Room 2, will be commencing her parental leave on the 22 November. Mrs Warr has been at the school since 2012 so she is a long standing staff member. Miss Pusey will replace Mrs Warr in Room 2 for the rest of the year.

With Ms Pusey going to Room 2, Mr Minh Nguyen will replace Ms Pusey in Room 16 on a Monday. Mr Nguyen will also replace Ms Pusey in some of her other roles and will be coordinating PE and sport on a Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Hannah Dwyer has been working in Room 17 for a couple of terms. She is also going on parental leave commencing the beginning of December. Ms Dwyer has been extremely hard working, professional and has developed great relationships with the students, staff and parents. Mr Cumming will resume teaching in Room 17 for the rest of the year.

We wish all of our expecting parents our collective best wishes and hope that they enjoy this phase of their lives with their new bundles of joy. We look forward to catching up with them and their baby at some stage next year.

NAPLAN 2021

Our school continues to make steady gain in our NAPLAN results. We are continuing to perform at a higher level than schools that are similar to Dryandra Primary. In fact, we were higher than our 'like schools' in all five testing areas for both Year 3 and Year 5.

In the chart below, we performed better than expected. This is represented on the chart in green. The results in 'yellow' indicate that we performed as expected. If we performed below expectation, then you would see 'red' boxes. You can see that we have not achieved any red boxes. This is a wonderful result for our school and students. It highlights that the programs that we are implementing are having a positive impact and that our students are continuing to consolidate their learning.

Comparative Performance Summary

	Year 3			Year 5		
	2018	2019	2021	2018	2019	2021
Numeracy	-0.2	0.2	0.6	1.3	1.0	1.4
Reading	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.0	-0.3	0.8
Writing	0.6	1.2	1.9	-0.5	0.2	0.8
Spelling	0.2	0.8	2.3	1.3	1.7	0.8
Grammar & Punctuation	0.4	-0.7	1.2	0.1	1.1	0.7

Kindergarten Vacancies 2022

I am pleased to see to announce that we have created extra positions for our kindergarten class in 2022. If you are aware of any friends or relatives who still have kindergarten aged children who are yet to enrol, please ask them to come and see me.

Important New Dates

Please note the new dates for some of the school events that were planned.

P&C – Tuesday, 16 Nov at 7.00pm

School Board meeting– Wednesday, 24 Nov at 7.00pm

2022 New Kindergarten Parent Meeting- Wednesday, 24 Nov 11.00am

2022 Kindergarten Transition – Thursday, 25 Nov 9.30am-10.30am

Year 6 Swan Valley Excursion – Monday , 6 Dec all day

Kindy/Pre-primary Assembly and Class Book wards – Tuesday, 7 Dec

Thank you Parent Morning Tea- Tuesday, 7 Dec 10.30am

Year 6 Graduation- Thurs, 9 Dec 5.00pm –7.00pm

Christmas Concert-Tues ,14 Dec 2.00pm

Thank you

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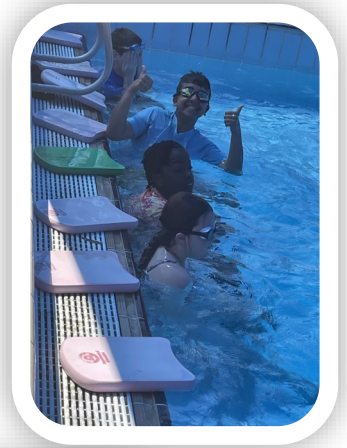
Principal

Room 1 students performed their rendition of "The Rainbow Connection" for their assembly item. The students enjoyed learning the song and the meaning behind it, finding yourself and following your dreams, which connects to our school PBS value of caring. The students spoke eloquently and invited the whole school community to join in the AUSLAN actions in the chorus. Well done Room 1 for their amazing efforts and for demonstrating caring, learning, and working together. They also had an impromptu performance of the song whilst they were lining up for the bus on our return from Williams. I know it was probably magic! -Mrs Whitcombe



<p>Kindy /Pre Primary 1 - Mrs Wallace/Mrs Hutchinson</p> <p><i>Venesia Dalipova , Evan Htoo, Mohammad Maher & Hunter Taylor</i></p>	<p>Kindy /Pre Primary 2 - Ms Coventry/Mrs McGee</p> <p><i>Jamie Dimer, Malak Al-Saadi, Hasan Siringul, Kylah Driscoll, Sila Aksahin & Ali Mohammadi</i></p>
<p>Year 1 /2 Room 1 - Mrs Whitcombe</p> <p><i>Summer Siraj & Shoo Sher Day Sher Mar</i></p>	<p>Year 2 Room 2 - Mrs Warr /Ms Pusey</p> <p><i>Yagmur Siringul & Omar Elkadiri</i></p>
<p>Year 2/3 Room 5 - Ms Walters</p> <p><i>Nasrudin Nasir , Manawa Guess & Athena Findlay</i></p>	<p>Year 3 Room 8 - Ms Van Dijken/ Mrs Fairhead</p> <p><i>Jarrah Cameron-Stacey ,Sumaya Ismaile, Shevayah Bennell, Rueben Anderson , Nasteeho Nasir & Day Sa Ma Htoo</i></p>
<p>Year 4 Room 16 - Ms K Dunstan/ Ms Pusey</p> <p><i>Noah Gahan, Jedd Hall, Aysegul Aksahin , Rayan Siraj, Melanie Asanoski ,Sylas Foster, Jamyshia Anderson, Nikola Ivaneza, Violet Miller, Noah Websdale, Fatmagul Aksahin, Nasiira Hassan Nasir & Janice Li</i></p>	<p>Years 5 Room 17 - Mr Cumming</p> <p><i>Esther Tha , Kailynn Dhu, & Kader Compaore</i></p>
<p>Years 6 Room 18 - Ms Young</p> <p><i>Noor Hamden, Karrar Ahmed & Nile Mohamed Kheir</i></p>	<p>AUSLAN – Ms Salame</p> <p><i>Aliya Gelato Room 16, Wanvisa Gillies Room 18 & Jafar Al Zeidan Room 8</i></p>
	<p><i>Congratulations everyone!</i></p>

Swimming lessons were very successful this year. Students from Pre Primary to Year 6 took part in this very valuable life skill. A big thank you to all the staff who supported this.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER	
NOVEMBER	
Mon 15- Wed 17	Literature centre incursion
Tues 16	P&C meeting 7.00pm
Wed 24	Kindy 2022 New Parent meeting 11.00am School Board meeting 7.00pm
Thur 25	2022 Kindy students transition 9.30-10.30am
Tue 30	Room 17 excursion to the Ballet
DECEMBER	
Mon 6	Year 6 Excursion to Swan Valley Adventure Centre
Tue 7	KP Assembly & Book awards/Thank you morning tea
Wed 8	Class Christmas Concert 2.00pm
Thur 9	Year 6 Graduation Ceremony 5.00pm-7.00pm
Mon 13	Reports sent home
Wed 15	School Board meeting 7.00pm
Thur 16	Faction /Class reward day & End of term 4
2022 SCHOOL COMMENCES MONDAY 31 JANUARY	

Aussie of the month winner for November

Linda Nguyen Room 17



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(first year of secondary school)

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High School Orientation day is Thursday 25th November.

Congratulation to Luka from Room 1 who was the winner of the \$100.00 gift voucher which was kindly donated from The Square Mirrabooka. Our thanks to them for helping with this fundraiser.



Out and about at Dryandra



Mrs McGee and Mrs Hutchinson are just one of our mother daughter duos at Dryandra PS. This unique situation see us with two generations of the same family following their passion of teaching. I sat down with them both and found out a bit more about these special ladies.

Mrs McGee– Graduated teaching many moons ago and has a Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Arts and a Graduate certificate in Early Childhood.

Her time here started in 1999 and her favourite memories are the ones made every day she is educating the students.

When not teaching Mrs McGee spends time with her 2,soon to be 3 grandchildren and her hobby is sewing .

She loves going overseas to Rottneest. Her favorite food is a vanilla slice.

Mrs Hutchinson– Has been teaching for 9 years and her favourite memories are when Mrs Hutchinson sees some of her K/PP students graduate. Other schools she has taught at include Nollamara and Deanmore, but Mrs Hutchinson just loves being at Dryandra. Hobbies include Pilates and overseas holidays.

Mrs Hutchinson has a son Van ,who is 2 .5 years old and is expecting a daughter in April 2022.

Her most favourite holiday was her honeymoon to Switzerland and she gave skiing a go.

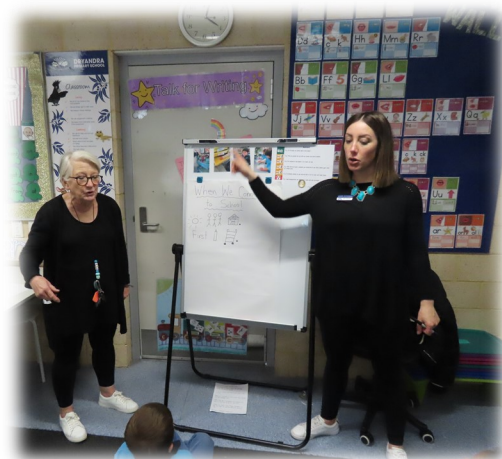
Her favourite food is a biscuit dipped into a nice cuppa tea.

In just 3 words , how would they describe each other-

Mrs H-clever, friendly & loving

Mrs McGee-knowledgeable, stylish & caring

Mrs Clough



Out and about at Dryandra



Ms Van Dijken & Mrs Warr are our other mother daughter team at Dryandra. I have had a chance to chat to both of these ladies and here is what I have to share with you.

Mrs Warr has been teaching for 9 years and in this time she has been at Dryandra and Newborough Primary schools.

Her most memorable moment is when past students come back to see her.

In her spare time Mrs Warr likes to go for walks with her daughter Winnie along with her dogs Chilli & Ninja to their favourite parks.

Mrs & Mr Warr are expecting their 2nd daughter in December.

Ms Van Dijken has spent most of her adult life teaching, and this has been 40 years plus some. Her early years were spent teaching in the country. This year has been especially enjoyable with the students in Room 8. Time spent at Dryandra is 22 years this year.

In her spare time Ms Van Dijken enjoys gardening, going bush walking, golf and overseas holidays. Having 3 daughters of her own Ms Van Dijken has 2 grandsons, 1 grand daughter with another due in December.

Her own family has 8 children in which she is the eldest.

A pet cat named Keiko is a faithful companion and has recently moved into a new house with her.

Mrs Clough



Out and about at Williams Primary



School Pledge
"I am young and I am worthy, I am brave and I am strong.
In the face of any challenge, I will strive to rise above.
I deserve this opportunity to live, to learn, to love.
I can truly make a difference: my path is up to me.
And this is my commitment - to be the best that I can be."



